

Workingmen's Houses,

Timothy Kelly House  
364 Southern Avenue  
Dubuque  
Dubuque County  
Iowa

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**PHOTOGRAPHS  
HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA**

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Site Location: 364 Southern Avenue  
Dubuque, Dubuque County, Iowa  
DOT designation: Resource Site No. 1.63  
Cadastral grid : SW1/4 NE1/4 S36 T89N R2E  
USGS quadrangle: Dubuque South Iowa 7.5'  
UTM coordinates: 15.691800.4705780  
Lot dimensions : 24' x 116' : .06 acre  
Lot description: West 24' of Lot 1 of Lot 5  
of O'Connor's Subdivision  
Present Owner: Iowa Department of Transportation  
Present Usage: vacant  
Present Condition : fair

Overall Dimensions: 2-story main block: 16' x 24'; rear addition: 13' x 15';  
front porch: 16' x 5'; side porch: 8' x 15'.

Orientation : northwest

Architectural Plan type : rectangular, 2-story, with 1-story additions.

Description : Foundation: coursed limestone perimeter walls.

Structure : wood frame

Ext. walls: wavy edged, asbestos-cement siding installed  
over wood beveled siding.

Roofs : front gabled, moderately pitched roof over main  
section; shallowly pitched sheds or hips over  
porches and additions; 3-tab asphalt shingles  
throughout.

Chimneys : parged brick interior chimney, centered on roof  
ridge.

Dormers : none

Windows : 1/1 double hung wood sash, with plain wood  
casings, and aluminum storms.

Openings : primary entrance in second bay of front;  
entrance on front of main block is centrally  
placed, with two-step concrete landing and  
shingled awning, supported by two brackets;  
plainly framed doorway at rear of main block on  
northeast elevation.

Porches : full width, partially enclosed front porch,  
with shingled hip roof supported by three plain  
cylindrical columns; skirt has same  
asbestos-cement siding as house; wood  
latticework surrounds crawl space.

Details : boxed cornices.

Construction Date : c.1872

Architecture Style: End-gabled box

Physical History : Dubuque teamster Morty O'Connor subdivided Mineral Lot 37 into residential lots along Southern Avenue in March 1868. Four years later he sold this property to Timothy Kelly [Kelley]. A carpenter, Kelly built this two-story frame house - perhaps as early as 1872 - and lived here with his wife Mary until the late 1890s. Real estate agent and abstractor Clifton B. Trewin acquired the property in 1897 at a tax sale and resold it soon thereafter. The house has since been occupied by Joseph and Lawrence Dillon and, later, Edward Mazurek. In 1986 Mazurek sold the property to the Iowa Department of Transportation, which plans to raze the house for highway construction.

Significance: The Timothy Kelly House is one of the workingmen's dwellings constructed as part of the extended Kelly family enclave on Southern Avenue.

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